



Current Events

Global News

By Madison Sleeper and Mackenzie Douglas

EARTHQUAKES

There have been reports of earthquakes all over the world but nobody expected to have one so close in northern New York. A 3.4 magnitude was reported by the border of Canada and New York. The earthquake hit at 5:30 Monday January 13. People felt the earthquake in parts of New York and Vermont.

VOLCANOES

On Sunday January 12, at 2:30 Taal volcano in the Philippines erupted violently. Over 82,000 people were forced to leave their homes for many days. Many are eager to return to their farms and animals that they depend on to live. The volcano is in the middle of Taal Lake which is where the volcano gets its name. The volcano started spitting ash and dust for a week before it erupted. The volcano is a level four, also the second highest level on the country's volcano alert-system.

Local News

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FIRE

A sad day for Barre as a massive fire covered a granite shed. On Saturday the eleventh, of January at 3:00 PM the granite shed on Bouton Street was caught in flames and burnt down to the ground. Luckily no one was injured in the massive fire. The fire affected many residences close to where the fire started and they may have lost power for a small amount of time and may have lost water pressure as well. The building was unoccupied in the winter. Firefighters say that one of the reasons the fire was so explosive was because of the granite dust that was still in the building and the buildings old rotted timbers holding the building up.

Elementary Students of the Week:

By Christian Brownlee and Jonathan Ballard

January 13-January 17

- The kindergarden is Karson Boardman for working hard, playing safely, listening, and following directions.
- The second grade student of the week, Daniel Moreau, was awarded for having a positive attitude.
- Third grade student of the week is Brayden Cosgrove for always working hard in class, being energetic, and being a student with a kind heart.
- The fourth grade student of the week, Briar Kamont, was awarded because she is consistently a cooperative member of class.

January 21-January 24

- The Kindergarten student of the week is Phoenix LaPlant for being a caring and welcoming friend.
- The first grade student of the week is Maisie Macdonald for being very cooperative.
- The second grade student of the week is Ryan Plant for having a great week and participating in the classroom.
- The third grade student of the week is Piper Brown for doing a wonderful job listening and following directions.
- The fourth grade student of the week is Rosie Johnson for cooperative and having a positive attitude.

Name The Mars Rover

By Emma Sweeney

The NASA "Name The Rover" Competition is for kids through k-12. NASA is about to send their newest rover into Mars, but they don't have a name for it yet, so they asked children to send essays in with a name for the new Mars rover. The rest of the rovers have their own names that fit them and tell their stories. Someone in our school was a semifinalist in the contest. Evelyn Kalat had a very creative name. She was going to name it Monarch because over the summer she raised monarch larvae into butterflies, and one of them escaped its container and crawled along the window sill to find a spot to make his cocoon. He found one at the very edge of the sill, so they named him Houdini because he was an escape artist. Evelyn compared the Mars rover to the stages of a butterfly. On 1/27/20 Evelyn Kalet came on during morning announcements told us that there is an online vote until the end of that day, and I hope you all voted.

Community

Drop Everything And Read

By Christian Brownlee

Ms. Melnick's third grade class is going to have a Drop Everything And Read day soon. Here is an interview Christian Brownlee conducted with her about it.

Question: What would this day look like?

Answer: They're self selecting books and spending the day reading, then doing art and crafts, then milk and cookies time.

Question: How would your kids earn this day?

Answer: DEAR (Drop Everything And Read) is earned by working independently and completing work.

Question: If you had to pick what's your favorite class:

Answer: ELA {English Language Arts}

A FAMOUS MAN

By Alexis Piascik

There have been many leaders from the past, but the one that I want to tell you about is a man who made the world a better place.

His name is Martin Luther King Jr. firstly, He is the one that stopped violence between black and white people and made it so they use words to fight instead of fists. also, He was the one who made it so that people of color and white people can use the same bathrooms, water fountains and restaurants. This happened because He was the one that led marches to stop segregation. He was so devoted to helping that Martin Jr. even went to jail 29 times in order to make the world a better place.

But many people disagreed with Martin Jr. because of this, he was assassinated on his balcony, at the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, Tennessee, on April 4, 1968, at 6:01 p.m. This was a sad day in our long history. But, before he was shot, he still made the world a better place. I am happy that I get to go to school with people of different colors.

He Was A Great Man

By Rodney Morrison

I want to tell you about a great man from the civil rights movement. To have civil rights means that all people were treated equally, no matter the color of their skin, their race, their gender, or their religion.

The name of this great man is Martin Luther King Jr. MLK Jr. led marches for peace. Some of the states where the marches were are Tennessee and Alabama. These states segregated people by the color of their skin. MLK's dream was that everyone got treated equally. He marched for these rights. He gave a famous speech called I Have A Dream, and over 250,000 people went to hear it in Washington DC. They believed in what MLK Jr. had to say about people not being segregated by the color of their skin.

MLK Jr. was a great man. He helped change our world so people can all be together.

Opinion

Nap Time

By Emma Sweeney

I believe that middle schoolers should have a "nap time" because we need more sleep than we are getting now which in most scenarios it is the students fault because they will stay up late. Instead of getting the full 9-11 hours of sleep each night. A study said, "In a national survey on the sleep patterns of U.S. adolescents (ages 11 through 17), NSF's 2006 Sleep in America poll finds that only 20 percent of adolescents get the recommended nine hours of sleep on school nights, and nearly one-half (45 percent) sleep less than eight hours on school nights." Without enough sleep, it makes it very hard to focus in school and other activities. That is one reason why I think we should be able to have a "nap time" or a room that students can go into to take a break. "According to Ji, the ideal nap should last from 30 to 60 minutes, and would take place between noon and 2 p.m., as many teens experience a dip in their circadian rhythms. Sleepy teens across the country, take note." it would also give students a chance to refocus and take a break away from work. Most teachers say that recess is a time to get out all their energy, and lunch is a time to have a time to refocus yourself to get ready for class, But a lot of kids chit chat with their friends and scream across the table because it's so loud from everyone else shouting, so this would really get a chance to refocus and be able to chill out and be calm. This is why I believe Middle and High Schools should have a Nap Time or a room to be in to take a quick rest or a quick breather.

Entertainment

Harry potter trivia

By: Chase Hopper

1. What is harry's middle name?
 - a. Jerry
 - b. Jaim's
 - c. James
 - d. Goldheart
2. Where was the graveyard located where Lord Voldemort returned?
 - a. Little Hangleton
 - b. Dread valley
 - c. 21 Muggle St.
 - d. Landiggol
3. What is the name of the wizards bank?
 - a. Gringus
 - b. Grueling
 - c. Gringotts
 - d. Gringotts
4. What is lord Voldemort's real name?
 - a. Tom Marvalo Riddle
 - b. Tim Mandingo Ride
 - c. Taim Marvin Riddle
 - d. Tom Marvolo Riddle

Answers

1. James 2. Little Hangleton 3. Gringotts 4. Tom Marvolo Riddle

Jokes!

By: Chase Hopper

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